

General News.

Illinois wheat prospects are for three-fourths the average crop.

Four thousand families are destitute in the drought district of Texas.

Bad winter wheat reports are received by the Ohio State Board of Agriculture.

A party of Mormon Elders went from Tennessee into the Western part of North Carolina, some weeks ago, and at once began work in making converts. An organization, fully officered has been effected for their expulsion.

Another report comes from Findlay about Senator Sherman's ninety-seven acre tract of land, for which \$30,000 was paid in February last. This time \$150,000 has been refused for it.

The Pennsylvania Senate adopted a resolution denouncing the coercion bill now pending before the British Parliament, and extending the sympathy of the Pennsylvania Senate to Gladstone and Parnell in their efforts to secure the rights of Ireland.

The local-option bill passed by the Dakota legislature has been signed by the governor. Elections under it will take place in November.

The Inter-State Commerce Commission has made the same concession to the Mobile and Ohio Railroad as it made to the Louisville and Nashville in respect to the long and short haul in connection with waterway competition and the road is now using its old tariff.

James F. Gleason, member of the Legislature from Chicago, was arrested at Springfield Friday night for drunkenness and jostling women on the street. He fought with the officers, and was with difficulty taken to the station.

P. T. Barnum has withdrawn his suit for \$100,000 damage against the Grand Trunk railroad for the death of Jumbo, the big elephant. The railroad company has agreed to pay Barnum \$5,000 cash and draw his circus train free of charge for one year.

Miss Shafer, the possessor of a luxuriant head of hair, was seized Tuesday at her home in Pittsburgh by a peddler, who compelled her to inhale chloroform and while she was unconscious cut off her tresses close to her head.

Returns from Kansas elections show that a larger proportion of the women who registered voted than is common with male voters. The women not only voted but were voted for. In Argonia, Mrs. Dora Salter was elected mayor by a large majority. Mrs. M. A. Humphrey, wife of Judge Humphrey, of the Board of Railroad Commissioners, was elected a member of the school-board in Junction City.

The capital punishment law in Maine has been repealed, and imprisonment for life is substituted for death in all cases of murder in the first degree. "Such convicts, however, are to be kept in close confinement, away from all associations," and no pardoning power is left to the governor or council unless the convict is proved innocent.

"Be sure your sin will find you out," has had, during the past week, a striking illustration. In 1854 a forgery was committed in New York, by which the Chemical bank lost \$18,000. A person going under the name of Billy Kissane was implicated. In course of time he became a wealthy citizen of California, amassing a fortune of not less than \$200,000 but living all the while under another name. His identity has been discovered, and his attorneys are now trying to settle the case against him in New York.

Four states are yet to vote on prohibitory amendments this year; namely, Texas, Thursday, August 4th; Tennessee, Thursday, September 29th; West Virginia, Tuesday, November 8th; Oregon, Tuesday, November 8th.

The bill prohibiting pool-selling and book-making at races, etc., was passed Tuesday in the Illinois House 102 to 8.

A bill providing for the execution of criminals in the State penitentiaries passed the Illinois Senate Thursday.

The attempt to prove Arensdorf guilty of the murder of Haddock, at Sioux City, Iowa, has been a failure, the vote of the jury standing ten to two, or eleven to one for acquittal. Only one man stood out for conviction at last. There are curious things about that trial. The one man who voted guilty had conscientious scruples against capital punishment, and would never have been allowed on a jury except by a very careless prosecutor. How careless he may have been in the other cases we cannot tell. We only are told that the jurors carried whisky in their pockets into the jury room, and that the juror who held out against acquittal says that he was asked what he would take to acquit.

At last a navigable balloon has been found. The inventor is a German engineer, and the aerial carriage is propelled by an electric motor. It may be stopped at any time, and a descent is no more dangerous than an ascent. The experiments have been performed at Metz, and were perfectly successful.

Dr. McGlynn, Henry George and a number of their followers have formed a society to be known as the Anti-Poverty society. The object is to spread by such peaceable and lawful means as may be found most desirable and efficient a knowledge of the truth that God has made ample provisions for the needs of all men during their residence upon earth, and that poverty is the result of human laws which allow individuals to claim as private property what the Creator has provided for the use of all. The first meeting of the society will be held in Chickering hall on Sunday next, when Dr. McGlynn and Henry George will speak.

Robbed by Bunco Men

Last week the Press published a swindling game which had been worked in Indiana, and on last Friday and Saturday it was worked upon Jacob Lucas, who resides in Perry township, and said to be eighty-two years old. A man calling himself Brooks, called on him and proposed to buy his farm. A price was given and the stranger left, promising to return in a few days. Saturday morning he returned to look over the farm. While on this tour they met another man, who induced them to try their hands on a lottery venture. Brooks turned a card and drew \$1000. Mr. Lucas was then prevailed upon to try it, and he drew \$1000. One of the conditions of the payment was, that the person successful should have \$1000 with him. Lucas then said that he did not have the money, but that he could draw it out of the bank at Ashland. So he was prevailed upon to go with Brooks to Ashland, and when in town, Brooks pretended to go to see his wife, while Lucas should go to the bank and get the money. They met again, after Lucas had drawn \$1,100 from the bank, \$100 also for his partner, as he lacked that much of the necessary \$1000, and found the lottery man on their return in a strip of woods. There the business was transacted. Lucas attempted to count his money, but he was too slow, and the lottery man became impatient and took a hand in doing it. His actions aroused the suspicions of the old man, and his partner Brooks proposed that they step away to consult a moment. At this time, the man left, and when the old man turned around, he could not be seen. Brooks then gave his note to Lucas, for fear that he might be censured for causing him to lose the money. Brooks took him home and left him out of the buggy, urging him to keep the matter secret, and drove off.

—Ashland Sun.

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AVOID waste in boiling potatoes by cooking only those of one size at a time.

CRACKER jars, holding about a quart, are among the new articles of tableware.

RANCID butter or lard cannot be restored to its original sweetness. Better use it for soap than for food.

WHEN eggs are scarce, one tablespoon of corn-starch will take the place of an egg in anything you cook.

A LITTLE borax put in the water in which scarlet napkins and red bordered towels are to be washed will prevent their fading.

THE flavor and crispness of celery are increased by soaking the stems in ice water for a short time before the stalks are placed on the table.

SLICES of bacon, cut very thin, rolled in well-beaten egg and bread crumbs, and fried a crisp brown on a hot spider make a palatable breakfast dish.

TO BLACKEN a scuttle or anything of that kind take ten cents worth of asphaltum, mix it with the same quantity of benzine and turpentine to the consistency of paint, and apply with a brush.

KEEP your children in school. Nothing but sickness should keep them at home. It is unfair to both teacher and child to let every little unusual occurrence serve as a pretext for non-attendance.

IF YOU are the happy possessor of a good umbrella, it pays to take care of it. After it has been wet, keep it open until perfectly dry. If you would prevent cutting, don't strap tightly or keep it in its case.

TO TAKE the creases out of drawing paper or engravings, lay the paper or engraving face downward, on a sheet of smooth, unsized white paper; cover it with another sheet of the same, very slightly dampened, and iron with a moderately warm flat iron.

TO MAKE beef tea, cut lean beef into small pieces, and put into a jar, covering closely. Set the jar in a kettle of cold water; bring gradually to a boil, and continue until the juice is extracted from the meat. This will require several hours. Season to taste.

A GOOD recipe for doughnuts: Two eggs, one cup of sugar, one cup of fresh butter-milk, an even teaspoonful of soda, one teaspoonful of salt, one nutmeg and flour enough to make a soft dough. Roll to less than half an inch thick. Mold and fry in boiling lard. These will not absorb a bit of the fat, and are the least pernicious of the doughnut family.

BEEF CAKES are made from three parts of finely chopped cold beef and one part of mashed potatoes, a little minced parsley and a beaten egg. Make into cakes about half an inch thick and as big around as a teacup; dredge with flour and fry in hot drippings. Serve with tomato sauce and brown gravy.

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